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1. The border area west of Stettin (0 54/Q 55) was strictly controlled by Soviet Zone Police on the German side.
2. The railroad line near Tantow (0 54/Q 43) was guarded by Soviet Zone Police and railroad police. Guards were standing at intervals of about 1,000 feet and, in uneven terrain, at intervals permitting visual contact.
3. Railroadmen of the Tantow railroad station reported that four to six, but sometimes more, east or west-bound Soviet trains passed through the railroad station each day.
4. Source stated that it was almost impossible to effect a border crossing near Colbitzow (0 54/Q 44), because of the strict border control on German territory. Two lines of Soviet Zone police sentries were posted about 1,650 feet and 650 feet from the border. The intermediate space was patrolled by double sentries. However, the sentries refrain from using their firearms, although they repeatedly challenge anyone passing by there. The sentries content themselves with immediately flashlighting the spots where they suspect border crossers.
5. It has been possible to effect border crossings about 1.25 mile north of Grambow (0 54/Q 45).
6. The border zone of Polish-occupied territory is patrolled by double-sentries, armed with submachine guns.

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